GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4492
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CONSTRUCTION OF RESERVOIR IN ANDHRA PRADESH
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Andhra Pradesh has requested the Union Government for clearance of 100 crore reservoir which Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam was contemplating to build across Kumaradhara and Pasupudhara stream;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the State Government propose to give any alternate land in lieu of the land utilized for the construction of the said reservoir; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) No Project proposal has been received in the Central Water Commission (CWC) from the Government of Andhra Pradesh to construct a reservoir across Kumaradhara and Pasupudhara streams for techno-economic clearance. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has informed that proposal for diversion of 80 ha. of land falling in the Venkateswara Wildlife Sanctuary and required for the project has been sent to the Ministry of Environment & Forests.

(c) & (d) According to the State Government, the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanam has identified 80 ha. of alternate land in Chittoor district contiguous to Tirupati Extension Reserve Forest to act as a buffer to the Sanctuary and has also agreed to include 4 times the proposed area or 320 ha. of reserve forest around the sanctuary as Wildlife Sanctuary.